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Today's Topics:
                Internet Offers Space Station Petition
                Portable 9600 buad PacSat Station Design

We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text
herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

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news.Cerritos.edu!news.Arizona.EDU!seds!ssa@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Internet Offers Space Station Petition
To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

Dear Colleague:

Student Space Action, a national organization of students dedicated to
the preservation of space exploration, would like to inform you
of a way in which you can directly voice your support for the space
program. Initially, our focus will be on the space station, but we
plan to branch out into areas such as manned and unmanned
programs, SSRT technology and other areas of interest involving
NASA and our national space effort as the organization strengthens.
Just this past June, members of Student Space Action traveled to
Washington, D.C. and helped in the successful lobbying of
Congress in support of the space station. While we were successful
this year, we can not sit back and wait for next year's vote, we
must press ahead.

If you believe the space program is a vital part of our country's
future, both in economic growth and technological advancement,
then sign the Student Space Action's Interactive Petition. You can
tell your elected officials exactly how much you support the space
program by signing the petition. Simply follow these steps:

    Telnet seds.lpl.arizona.edu
    login> space

    After you submit the petition, you will receive information
    on your Representatives so you can contact them further by
    phone or mail if you desire.

The petition is also accessible through the World Wide Web.
Simply go to the following URL and follow the directions:

    URL: http://seds.lpl.arizona.edu/ssa/petition.html

    Answer the questions and submit the petition and you
    will receive the same information as the telnet version.
    You will also have the option of linking to the space station
    home page where you can read up-to-date information on
    the space station, including issues of "Space Station This Week."

If you believe that NASA should remain as an engine for continued
space exploration, then tell everyone you know to sign this petition.

Please forward this message to anyone you may feel would want
to be a part of this effort.

SPACE STATION: IT'S ABOUT LIFE ON EARTH!!

If you believe that our government, by supporting an initiative like
the space station, is making an investment in the future generation
of this great nation, then send your message to Washington by
signing the Student Space Action Interactive Petition.

Your voice does count! And it WILL make a difference!

Sincerely,

--
Student Space Action
"Don't Take Away Our Frontier!"
For general responses: ssa@seds.lpl.arizona.edu
For technical or policy inquiries: chrisl@bozo.lpl.arizona.edu
                                 or gamageb@db.erau.edu
We will keep reaching for the stars....

I am a self-confessed Mac bigot but I must state that I have found no Mac
satellite software tha handles the PacSat Broadcast Protocol. I ftp'ed the
"Broadcast" program from ftp.demon.co.uk   /pub/ham/mac but it is very
old, and would crash with a System Error under System 7.1 on a Quadra 700.

The program that Gilbert Macklin did was receive-only and he is currently
working on a up/download version, but is not nearly done. And these programs
lack the scheduling features of WiSP or SatSked.

I was forced to put the Apple 486 card in my Quadra just to run Windows and
WiSP.

I would be pleased to know of some working Broadcast Protocol and scheduling
software for the Mac.

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